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Korea: The bold attempt by North Korean agents to attack President Pak's official residence yesterday is probably the beginning of a stepped-up Communist terrorist campaign.

A heavily armed 31-man team penetrated to within 800 meters of the presidential mansion. At least seven North Koreans were killed or wounded in a series of clashes which began on the outskirts of Seoul.

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The fact that such a large team successfully made its way into the capital city is sure to generate strong political criticism and public apprehension about the government's internal security arrangements. There now may be more pressure from within the regime for retaliatory action against the north.

The latest incident is the first such terrorist effort in the South Korean capital. In the past year Pyongyang has demonstrated the ability to infiltrate significant numbers of heavily armed teams into the south and to conduct minor sabotage operations. The Communist agents have appeared primarily concerned, however, with recruiting sympathizers and establishing bases for future guerrilla activity.

Pyongyang radio promptly hailed the raid as part of the South Korean peoples' "heroic struggle" against the Pak regime.

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NOTES

Yugoslavia-India-USSR: President Tito will extend his visit to India, which began on 22 January, by three days in order to be present for India's Republic Day celebration on the 26th. He will thus be able to join Soviet Premier Kosygin, who will arrive in New Delhi on 25 January, in talks with Indian Premier Gandhi. The three leaders will probably take the opportunity to discuss the Vietnam war and the Cambodian border problem in light of Tito's stay in Cambodia and British Prime Minister Wilson's trip to Moscow. The nuclear nonproliferation treaty and the Middle East situation may also be examined.

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Denmark: The government is moving to contain domestic repercussions from the crash of a nuclear-armed US bomber in Greenland on 21 January. Foreign Minister Tabor's prompt public statement emphasized that the crash appeared to have occurred during an attempted emergency landing. The incident probably will not greatly affect today's elections, but anti-US Danish elements can be expected to try to exploit it. The accident also gives Moscow an opportunity to cast doubts on Danish sincerity in claiming that nuclear weapons are forbidden on Danish soil.

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